Introduced by Assembly Members Hertzberg and Baugh

August 14, 2000

House Resolution No. 73—Relative to commending the Honorable Scott Wildman.

1 WHEREAS, The Honorable Scott Wildman, who has

- 2 represented the 43rd Assembly District for the past four
- 3 years, has announced his retirement as an Assembly
- 4 Member and, upon this occasion, he is deserving of
- 5 highest commendations for his record of dedicated
- service to his constituents and the State of California; and
- WHEREAS, Scott Wildman was born in San Diego and raised in Claremont and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree
- 9 at the University of Colorado and his Teacher
- of at the University of Colorado and his feacher
- 10 Certification at California State University, Hayward; and
- Whereas, He has been a lifelong union member,
- 12 qualified as a master printer who operated his own
- 13 printing business until it fell victim to irreparable
- 14 earthquake damage, before he returned to his firs
- 15 love—teaching; and
- 16 WHEREAS, As an elementary school teacher, Scott
- 17 Wildman specialized in helping at-risk school children
- 18 succeed by developing curricula, introducing new
- 19 classroom technologies, training teachers, and rising to a
- 20 leadership position in his California Teachers' Association
- 21 Local; and

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1 WHEREAS, He was first elected to the California State

- 2 Assembly in 1996 to represent the diverse and dynamic
- B Cities of Burbank, Glendale and the Atwater Village,
- 4 Silverlake, Hollywood, and the Los Feliz neighborhoods
- 5 in Los Angeles; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Since assuming office, his highest priorities
- 7 have been constituent services and proactive district
- 8 outreach to the broadest range of community
- 9 representatives, organizations, and area residents; and
- 10 WHEREAS, In his second term in the Assembly, Scott
- 11 Wildman currently chairs the Joint Legislative Audit
- 12 Committee and the Select Committee on Long-Term
- 13 Planning for Commercial and General Aviation Airport
- 14 Capacity, and serves on the Assembly Education, Health,
- 15 Housing and Community Development, and Budget
- 16 Committees, the Budget Subcommittee on Education
- 17 Finance, the Select Committees on Entertainment and
- 18 the Arts, Municipal Finance Reform, and School Facilities
- 19 Finance, the Joint Committee on the Arts, and the State
- 20 Allocation Board and the California Debt and Investment
- 21 Advisory Commission; and
- 22 WHEREAS, In recognition of his legislative
- 23 effectiveness, Assembly Member Wildman was honored
- 24 as the 1998 Legislator of the Year by the California
- 25 Organization of Police and Sheriffs, the California
- 26 Hemophilia Council, and the California Association of
- 27 School Psychologists, the California Federation o
- 28 Teachers, the Faculty Association of the California
- 29 Community Colleges, and the AIDS Healthcare
- 30 Foundation; and
- 31 WHEREAS, A majority of his legislation has been
- 32 introduced in response to issues of local importance:
- 33 education; government waste; public safety; and the
- 34 environment; and
- 35 WHEREAS, Assembly Member Wildman is a tireless
- 36 advocate for revitalizing public education through
- 37 smaller class size, stronger educational standards,
- 38 increased parental involvement, modernizing and
- 39 building new school facilities, and requiring strict
- 40 accountability from all stakeholders; and

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WHEREAS, As Chairman of the Joint Legislative Audit Committee he has fought to expose fraud, waste, and mismanagement of tax dollars by government bureaucracies by directing over 140 performance audits, and conducting more than 20 legislative investigations and hearings, including investigations that have led to significant reform in the Los Angeles Unified School District as well as others; and

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WHEREAS, He has been hailed by the Los Angeles 10 Police Protective League as one of the most effective legislators in the State Capitol for law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, He is a leader in the battle to preserve Glendale's hillsides, complete the L.A. River parkway, protect Burbank neighborhoods from runaway airport expansion, and protect entertainment industry jobs from 16 unfair foreign competition; and

WHEREAS, Scott Wildman and his wife, Arlene, have 18 five children and seven grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Through his professional, public, 20 community activities, he has made a significant impact on the people of the 43rd Assembly District and throughout the state, and he will be sorely missed by those individuals with whom he has been associated; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, That the Members take great pride in honoring Assembly 25 Member Scott Wildman for his outstanding service to the 27 people of the 43rd Assembly District and the people of 28 California during his tenure as a Member of the California 29 Assembly, and extend to him heartiest best wishes for 30 happiness and success in his future endeavors; and be it 31 further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly 32 transmit a suitably prepared copy of this resolution to the Honorable Scott Wildman.